

The Northampton County Board of Social Services met in the Board Room of the Social Services Building on May 15, 2018. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 am. Present were Edith Johnson, Chairman, John Williams, Vice Chair, H. Spencer Murray, Board Member and Mozella Francis, Director.

On a motion by Mr. Williams, the minutes of the April 17, 2018 meeting were approved with no noted changes. There was no public comment or correspondence.

The Board was provided a copy of the 2017-18 budget. Agency expenditures have been slightly increased lately as we come to the end of May, which is the end of the State Fiscal Year. Expenditures have been for office supplies and the like that we need to restock.

Mrs. Francis updated the Board on the proposed Medicaid expansion. Although the Agency was sent a budget for the new fiscal year, nothing is definitive until the budget is passed and signed by Governor Northam. The budget has no impact on the case load increase as that has already been determined by Medicaid Expansion. Expansion will add between 800-1000 new cases.

The Board was given an updated overview on Agency departments by Benefit Programs Supervisor Kim Hudgins highlighting the current caseloads and the challenges they face. In regards to Medicaid

expansion, Mrs. Hudgins said that the proposed raising of the poverty line threshold will have an effect on Family and Children Medicaid cases, but it will have an even larger effect on Adult Medicaid cases with many more adults becoming eligible for services.

Mrs. Francis informed the Board that the Agency would be closing at noon on 5/18/2018 for a staff meeting and professional development training.

On a motion by Board Member H. Spencer Murray, the Board went into Closed Session in accordance with Section 2.1-344 of the Code of Virginia, as amended, for the purpose of discussion or consideration of employment, assignment, appointment, promotion, performance, demotion, salaries, disciplining appointees or employees of any public body.

The Board returned to Open Session.

On a roll call vote certifying to the best of each member's knowledge, only public matters exempted from the public meeting and in the original motion were discussed. The vote was Chairman Johnson: yes, Vice Chair Williams: yes, Board Member Murray: yes.

Mr. Murray made a motion to accept the Agency Internal Alignments as presented and it was seconded by Mr. Williams.

Mrs. Francis will be out of the office on May 22nd for training in Norfolk and May 31st also in Norfolk for the District Meeting. She will again be out of the office on June 11-12 for the Director's Meeting and Board of Supervisor's Meeting.

The next Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 19, 2018 at 9:00 a.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

Edith Johnson, Chairman
June 22, 2018

Attested by _____
Mozella F. Francis
Director